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EMMA Bunton has revealed how she was the only Spice Girl to avoid eating disorders or depression.

The pretty blonde – nicknamed Baby Spice for her innocent, girly looks – is still amazed that she survived the pressures of fame which the rest of her bandmates struggled with.

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Emma, who is currently starring in BBC's Strictly
Come Dancing, believes she had a lucky escape.

While Posh, Scary, Sporty and Ginger succumbed to
either weight-loss worries or depression, Baby came
through unscathed.

When asked how she did it, she wonders:
"Honestly? I don't know. I really f\*\*\*ing don't know."
During the height of their fame, Emma remembers
there was huge pressure to slim down.
"Towards the end of the tour of America, I started
thinking about it a bit more." she admits. "Because
I've always been curvy. And it was just going through
that point of learning to love it and use it well."

# Skimpy

The other Spice Girls, however, were not so lucky and Emma saw some of them shrink before her eyes. Geri Halliwell, 34, and Victoria Beckham, 32, have admitted their obsession to trim down during the Spices' heyday drove them to live on Slimfast shakes. Mel C – real name Melanie Chisholm, 32 – dropped down to 8st 7lb after getting hooked on two-hour gym sessions. She also suffered clinical depression. And Mel B – real name Mel Brown – was depressed after splitting from her husband Jimmy Gulzar. "Victoria is naturally thin – that's the way she is," says Emma. "I did tell Geri at one point that I thought she was getting too thin. "Mel B's got the best body in the world, but Mel C went through a worrying stage."

Emma is still happy to flaunt her fabulous figure in some very skimpy outfits every Saturday night on SCD. And the pretty blonde has revealed she's not always such a nice Spice any more.

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The 30-year-old has two tattoos – and even uses the F-word. And despite forming a great relationship with her partner Darren Bennett, 29, she admits that he gets on her wick.

"Ilove my dancer, right, but God – he talks so much! I just want to strangle him."

Get those claws out, Baby!

As for the tattoos, there's "Baby" etched on her hip and a Chinese symbol meaning "Jade" a tribute to her boyfriend of six years, Jade Jones, 25

Perhaps it's her down-to-earth upbringing in Barnet, north London, or maybe it's her stable relationship with Jade, but Emma has managed to keep her feet on the ground. Victoria

# **EXCLUSIVE** By Kate Jackson

Beckham became a worldwide megastar, Mel B toyed with being a lesbian and is now dating movie star Eddie Murphy, 45. Mel C was dropped from her record label and Geri Halliwell became a single

But Emma's life just kept plodding on. And even though she sold more than 53 million records with the Spice Girls, Emma says she has never been able to splurge at the shops.

"Even now, the most I've ever spent in a shop at one time is about £300," she admits. "Not quite Eltor! I've never been able to forget what I learned about being careful with money when I was growing up."

As for what's next, Emma's new album Life In Mono is out a week on Monday. She's also considering writing and starring in a sitcom. Life is looking good for Baby Spice. And judging by these pictures, she's thriving on it.

"Oh yeah, that's how I've grown up," she giggles. "Twe become saucy."

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# **BBC One**

6.00 Breakfast (W) (S) 7890699
10.00 Saturday Kitchen (S) 40019
11.30 Rachel's Favourite Food At
Home Stylish recipes, (W) (S) 1583
12.00 BBC News Including local news
and weather. (W) (S) 2689903
12.10 Football Focus (S) 1016496
1.00 Grandstand Introduced by Jill
Douglas. (W) (S) 84271458 1.05
MotoGP: A review of the memorable
MotoGP season, 5436903 2:10 Live
International Rugby Union: Scotland
v Australia: (Kick-off 2.30pm). The
autumn international at Murrayfield,
where the hosts are looking to cap
an excellent year by claiming their where the hoiss are looking to cap an excellent year by claiming their first victory over the Wallabies since 1982. Digital viewers can access the afternoon's football scores on the interactive service from 2.30. Times may vary. 25261212 .30 Final Score Ray Stubbs presents the afternoon's results from

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My Family Susan decides to turn detective after one of Ben's patients confesses to a murder while under anaesthetic. Zoe Wanamaker

stars. (R) (W) (S) *598106* **45 BBC News,** (W) (S) **Local News, Weather** *344903* 

# 6.05 Strictly Come Dancing Bruce Forsyth and Tess Daly present as the remaining contestants add another dance to their repertoires. Results can be seen at 9.35. (S) *9409583* **7.10 Robin Hood** The outlaws

raid a feast held by Guy of Gisborne, where Robin discovers a shocking secret about the host that causes him to lose control. (AD) (W) (S) 594859

55 The National Lottery: In It To Win It New series. Quiz show in which five contestants pit their wits to scoop a big prize. Includes the Lotto, Dream Number and Thunderball draws.
(W) (S) 925800

8.45 Casualty Ellen enlists the

help of Kelsey and Alice in a stunt to protest against the ED's closure, while Harry considers taking up the new position at St James'. Scott Mills guest stars. (W) (S) 133632

9.35 Strictly Come Dancing Girls Aloud perform their new single and the British Junior Ballroom Champions dance, before Bruce and Tess reveal which couple will be knocked out of the contest. (W) (S) 842922

10.00 News, (W) (S) Weather Followed by National Lottery Update 985361

10.20 Match Of The Day Gary Lineker presents highlights of today's Premiership clashes, including Bolton Wanderers against Arsenal at the Reebok Stadium and Liverpool's match with Manchester City at Anfield (W) (S) 7750922

11.30 FILM: Shiner 2000 (18) A shady boxing promoter decides to make a bid for the big time by managing his son's career in the sport - but events take a tragic

turn. Drama. (S) 247922 1.05 Friday Night With Jonathan Ross With Courtney Love and David Schwimmer. (R) (S) Followed by Weatherview 4369626 2.10 News 24 *37702171* 

# **BBC Two**

**6.00 CBeebies: Me Tool** (R) (S) 3129496 **6.20** Bob The Builder (R) (S) 6050767 **6.30** Big Cook Little Cook (R) (S) 4889309 **6.50** Bobs Mini Projects (R) (W) (S) 9758038 **7.00 CBBC: Batfink** (R) (W) (S) 273107 **1.00** (M) (S)

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2.25 Star Trek: The Next Generation (R,S) 239390
3.10 Star Trek: The Next Generation (R,S) 2927011
3.55 Monk Disher escorts Natalie to her brother's wedding but someone tries to run him over (S) 5952545

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7.00 Planet Earth The team witness the largest chimpanzee group in the world defending its territory against neighbouring rivals, and seek out other highly evolved creatures. (R) (S) 4545
8.00 The Culture Show David

Hockney discusses what makes an iconic image and Noel Gallagher reveals what Oasis owe to LS Lowry. Verity Sharp presents. (W) (S) 897293

50 TOTP2 Archive hits by Abba Kylie Minogue and Jason Donovan and Van Morrison, Plus a new performance by Damien Rice. (W) (S) 273629 9.20 Into The West Abe joins

the workers laying down railway tracks across the country from east to west, while Jacob Jr becomes a scout for the Army. Margaret and Ethan are captured by the Cheyenne. (AD) (W) (S) 5069011

10.50 Have I Got News For

**You** Another guest takes the reins to host the satirical guiz. aided and abetted by regular team captains Ian Hislop and Paul Merton. As always, a pair of celebrity panellists join in the fun. (R) (W) (S) 354564

11.20 Cricket: The Ashes Australia v England. Manish

Bhasin reviews the third day's play in the First Test at the Gabba in Brisbane, a ground where the visitors haven't won since 1986. Success for Andrew Flintoff and his men would be a welcome omen, as that victory 20 years ago kicked off a successful Ashes defence for Mike Gatting and his side, but Ricky Ponting and his team are determined not to let history repeat itself as they attempt to reclaim the urn. (W) (S) 230941

**12.00 QI** (R) (S) *44539* **12.30 FILM:** Carry On Behind 1975 (PG) Holiday-makers managing to disrupt an archaeological dig. Chaotic comedy starring Kenneth Williams. (W) (S) 14171 2.00 Learning Zone (S) 8747442

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Horrid Henry (R) (W) (S) 7982670
10.00 Shuriken School (W) (S) 37309
10.30 Drake & Josh (R) (W) (S) 51854 11.00 Skyland (W) (S) 5922
11.30 The New Adventures Of Superman (R.S) 88564
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12.45 FILM: The Prime Of Miss
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applies his formidable deductive skills to investigating the baffling death of a fellow guest at a high-class cocktail party in Acapulco. (S) 96230816
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Fernmelt (W) (S) 8015822 5.10

Framed! (W) (S) 8015922 40 Who Wants To Be A 5.40 Millionaire? (W) (S) 500564

# 6.25 The X Factor The competition intensifies as the five remaining acts take the stage

and sing for survival once more.
Judges Simon Cowell, Louis
Walsh and Sharon Osbourne give their verdicts on the performances and, with their sights set firmly on the grand final, they are unlikely to pull any punches. Kate Thornton offers the acts her support, and will return with the results programme after All Star Family

Fortunes. (W) (S) 2234816
7.55 All Star Family Fortunes Vernon Kay hosts a celebrity version of the classic gameshow, inviting former Blue singer Lee Ryan and model Melinda Messenger to team up with their clans to win big for charity (W) (S) 962516

45 The X Factor - The Result Simon Cowell, Louis Walsh and Sharon Osbourne prepare to bring the dream of stardom to an end for another unlucky act, as host Kate
Thornton reveals the result of the

viewers' vote. (W) (S) 566516 9.20 I'm A Celebrity... Get Me Out Of Here! Ant and Dec present the final week of the celebrity survival challenge, as the famous faces continue their ordeal in the Australian jungle struggling to complete the tough daily tasks and dreaded Bushtucker Trials. (S) 1469057 10.50 **Parkinson** Noel Gallagher

drops in to chat with the veteran broadcaster about his latest projects with Oasis, including greatest hits collection Stop Tl Clocks, while Dustin Hoffman reveals all about his film Stranger Than Fiction. Rod Stewart provides the music and talks

provides the music and talks about his career. (W) (S) 914106

11.50 ITV News, (S) Weather 513496 12.05 Make Your Play. (W) Followed by News 33483626 **4.35** Trading Treasures (R) (SL) (W) (S) *91379133* **5.00** ITV Nightscreen 22442

# Channel 4

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12.00 T4: Friends (AD) (R,S) 4293
12.00 T4: Friends Monica plans an evening out to celebrate her engagement to Chandler but ends up accusing Bachel of trying to steal her thunder by kissing Ross. (R,S) 40748
12.30 T4: Pink: T4 Icon The singer chats and performs. (R,S) 72835

12.30 T4: Pink: T4 Icon The singer chats and performs. (R.s) 72835 1.00 T4: Charmed Piper and Phoebe devise a plan to recover Leo, while Paige rescues her protegé from two Darklighters. Billie is forced to make a decision. (R) 60090 2.00 Channel 4 Racing From Newbury And Newcastle Including the 2.40 Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup Chase (H'cap) (3m 2 1/2f). (S) 7496 4.00 FILM: Revenge Of The Pink Panther 1978 (U) Peter Sellers returns to his best-loved role – that of bumbling Inspector Clouseau, who

bumbling Inspector Clouseau, who here tracks down a corrupt industrialist. Comedy. (S) 66583187 5.55 Channel 4 News (S) 655496

6.20 How Music Works With **Howard Goodall The** composer reveals the secrets behind rhythm, explaining why some tunes can inspire dancing while others provide a feeling of tranquility. He also discovers the reason for most popular performers singing ahead of

beat, and how African drumming is linked to JS Bach. Plus, a look at the common rhythmic patterns used by musicians from various cultures. (S) *684125* 

7.20 FILM: Touching The Void 2002 (15) Documentary recreating the terrifying journey of two mountaineers who braved the Peruvian Andes

Based on interviews with the men, Joe Simpson and Simon Yates. (W) (S) 47296922

9.20 FILM: Underworld 2003 (18) Premiere. A vampire warrior is intrigued to discover her sworn enemies the werewolves have set their sights on a mortal man. Horror, with Kate Beckinsale and

Scott Speedman. (S) 51684125 1.40 4Music: Damien Rice: Video Exclusive A chance to see the video for the Irish singer-songwriter's new single 9 Crimes, lifted from his second solo album 9. (S) 219293 11.45 4Music: U2: Vertigo

Live The rock band perf concert during their sell-out Vertigo tour. (S) 334496 2.50 4Music: 4Music Presents: Muse (R) 4466775

**1.25** 4Music: 4Play: The Pipettes (S) *8571688* **1.40** South American Championship Football 7432369 2.35 FILM: How To Make A Monster 2001 (15) A group of computer programmers are promised a big bonus in return for developing the scariest game character ever. (S) 1796046 **4.05** Reasons To Be Cheerful (R,S) 67992404 **4.15** Tony Benn: Interviewing The Interviewers (R,S) 211713 **5.15**-**6.00** Countdown. Words-and-numbers game. (R,S) *4234620* 

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1.05 FILM: Columbo: Murder By The Book 1971 (PG) Detective drama, directed by Steven Spielberg, starring Peter Falk. (S) 37018564
2.40 Make Me A Supermodel: The Rest Bits (S) 43220458

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3.45 FILM: The Christmas
Takeover 1998 (U) Comedy
dama, with Harry Hamlin. 475/7800
5.30 FILM: The Spy Who Came
In From The Cold 1966 (PG) Richard Burton stars in this thriller as a burnt-out spy who fakes his resignation in an attempt to infiltrate the KGB. (b/w) 78846274

7.25 five news And Ashes **Special Report** Round-up of the day's headlines, presented by Helen Fospero. Plus, news from

the Ashes. (S) 2077564
7.45 NCIS The team investigate the death of a fellow sailor who was found washed up on shore with the bodies of two drug runners. Gibbs is sure the sailor was not a crook, but the case exposes a trail of dodgy dealings. Crime drama, guest starring Lost's Emilie de Ravin,

with Mark Harmon. (R) 1613699 8.40 NCIS The team investigate a strange lead involving a role-playing game which they believe may have caused the death of a seaman found at the bottom of the sea. Discovering he was a compulsive player, they try to find out how far he would go to get revenge on his arch-enemy, another sailor. (R,S) 1853039

9.35 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation Grissom and Nick are called in to investigate when three teenage rappers are found shot dead in the middle of a street, and it soon appears hip-hop gang warfare may be to blame. (AD) (R,S) 1415038

10.35 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A serial rapist

represents himself in court and is released on bail, despite his first victim picking him out during an identity parade. Benson and Stabler refuse to give up the chase, but the criminal strikes again, and this time the result is murder. Fred Savage guest stars alongside Christopher Meloni and Mariska Hargitay. 7905748 11.35 FILM: Conan The

**Destroyer** 1984 (15) Arnold Schwarzenegger reprises his role as the sword-wielding warrior, embarking on a quest to find a magic key. Violent fantasy, with Grace Jones. (S) 5444019

1.30 The Great Big Quiz Interactive quiz show. 29873222 5.35-6.00 Wildlife SOS (R,S) 93135539

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She's going to put the house on the mar-ket on January 3, I'll get what I'm entitled to and that'll be the end of us. This is so

gone

MY boyfriend got a large sum of money from his parents and didn't tell me. He then squandered the cash on a new car, clothes and a holiday

clothes and a holiday with his pals.

I thought he was up to his eyeballs in debt, but he was spending the £25,000 his parents gave him from the sale of their house.

He was supposed to put it towards a flat for us but now it's all gone and I've not even had a sniff.

His parents (who now live in Cyprus) are furious with him and I still can't believe he could be so stupid and selfish.

JANE SAYS: I suspect your boyfriend may con-tinue to disappoint you time after time.

time after time.

He's pulling in one direction, while you're pulling in quite another.

If he's capable of concealing £25,000 and then spending the lot like a WAG in a handbag shop then what else is he capable of?

How can you trust him.

How can you trust him

self-

again?
Clearly he's se centred and immature

centred and immature.

I suspect that you need someone far more sophisticated than this bloke if you're to be truly happy.

# Lover has thrown me

devastating, not only because my partner is a beautiful and intelligent individual. But also because she's the only person who truly understands my desires. Basically I enjoy being hurt during sex. Nothing too drastic, you understand, but I get a big thrill out of being slapped, chastised and dominated.

I love leather restraints, handcuffs and being pushed to my limits, and my partner has always been wonderful at accommodating me.
She's always known exactly how to deal with me without causing me serious pain.

We've been a brilliant team. But I went and spoilt it all by meeting up with a wild woman from the web who went too far. She beat me up and covered me in bruises. My partner saw the scars, realised what I'd been up to and threw me out without a backward glance.

# Harsh

She always warned me that she'd never put up with being cheated on. But I can't believe that she's being so harsh and unforgiving. She won't allow me to say I'm sorry or give me a second chance.

JANE SAYS: Well, you can't say she didn't warn you. As I understand it, you and your ex-partner had an unwritten contract. She was prepared to indulge your particular sexual needs, but in return you were to stay 100% faithful. Yet you went behind her back and cheated on her. I get the impression that your ex-partner is a very strong and determined woman who won't be messed with. It's possible that she never even enjoyed your sex games, but only tolerated them for your sake. Once you betrayed her, she saw no reason to put herself out again. All you can do is learn your lesson from this episode and make sure that you don't repeat it again in the future.

Day Six

# Like a knife in me

I CAN'T stand it when I hear that people I know are doing well. Every time a mate boasts about a pay rise, new car or lover it's like a stab in my chest. I know it's pathetic, but I can't share other people's successes. Friends with new jobs with great salaries make me feel inadequate and dumb. I tell myself that I'm underachieving and past it. Blokes with gorgeous new girlfriends make

new girlfriends make me question my own sexiness.

# **Jealous**

Now my very best mate has just declared that he's landed a mega-job in New York with a six-figure salary and I could kill the bastard.

and rooted the bastard.
I'm so jealous I literally can't bring myself to speak one word to him.
Several people have noticed and are now calling me childish—and you know what?
They're absolutely right and I hate myself.

JANE SAYS: It's very JANE SAYS: It's Very brave of you to own up to this weakness Being resentful of other people's success is a very common human

failing.
Someone famous

Someone famous once said: "Every time a friend succeeds, I die a little", so you're certainly not alone. Why don't you try and turn a negative into a positive and use your friend's achievement to spur you on? vou on?

Vow to work harder, be more determined and make other people jealous of vou?

you?
Alternatively give
yourself a damn good
talking to and tell
yourself to stop being so ungracious and grow up. If you don't, soon you won't have any friends left.

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Write to JUST JANE, Daily Star, 10 Lower Thames Street, London EC3R 6EN or email jane.gorman@dailystar.co.uk

THE other night I got home from the shops and my boyfriend punched me straight in the face.

the face. He was angry because I was late and there was nothing for him to eat. I'm still reeling. Firstly, because, in the six years we've been together he's never even raised his voice to me, let alone his fist. Secondly because he's now sunk into a deep depression and says that he'll kill himself if I leave.

JANE SAYS: Every week women are killed by violent partners and sadly I fear

that this could be the start of a downward spiral of misery and domestic violence for you.

for you.

I urge you to get out before your boyfriend seriously hurts you.

Hitting a partner is never acceptable and you can't put up with it.

If he has mental problems, then he needs to see his GP.

Suggest to his family that they help him

while you secure a safe place to stay.
Call the National Domestic Violence
Helpline (0808 2000 247) if you have noone to help you.

# HE JUMBO PUZZLE



TEST your brains with our tantalising Pub Quiz, compiled by **HUGH ASH**. But beware – one of the 20 teasers is a trick question. Answers on Monday.

WHEN superstar Tom Cruise wed Katie Holmes in a Scientology ceremony last weekend, what did he have to promise to give his bride?

a) \$I0million; b) A spacewith ch Acti

Raspherry,

WHAT is a gingko?
a) Tree; b) Lizard; c) Oxdrawn cart

WHICH musical instrument has frets?

a) Clarinet; b) Harp; c)

Guitar How many eyes can be seen in a pack of playing cards? a) 24; b) 42; c) 48

WHICH is known as the Blue Planet? a) Mercury; b) Uranus; c) Neptune

Neptune

WHAT nationality is the United Nations' Secretary General-elect, Ban Ki-Moon?

General-elect, Ban KiMoon?

a) Chinese: b) South
Korean: c) Japanese

WHAT is veteran
Dennis Skinner's
colourful nickname?
a) Beast of Bolsover; b)
Ogre of Orpington; c)
Dracula of Dundee

QUEEN Victoria
took the throne
following the death of
which monarch?
a) George IV; b) Edward
IV; c) William IV

WHAT part of the
body is affected
by the disease
rhinitis?
a) Skin; b) Nose; c) Liver



Q3: Was it Madonna

WHAT is the shortest name in the Bible?
a) Az b) Oz; c) Uz
d WHICH pasta name translates as 'chamber pot'?
a) Cannelloni; b)

translates as 'chamber pot'?

a) Cannelloni; b)
Lasagne; c) Tagliatelli

To who or what is the Dickin Medal awarded for bravery?

a) Firefighters; b) Police officers; c) Animals

The Town of the letter L in Roman numerals represents what number?

WHICH comic, says a facial perception expert, has the perfect looks for a tunnyman?

a) Ricky Gervais; b) Phill Jupitus; c) Bernard Manning

HOW many dimes are in a US dollar?

are in a US dollar?

b) 10; c) 25

IN 1965, Charlton Athletic's Keith Peacock became soccer's first what?

a) Red-carded player; b) Substitute; c) Scorer in a penalty shoot-out

whitch county has the most rats?

a) West Yorkshire; b) Essex; c) Nottinghamshire

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1 Sean Maddox in Casualty – Saturdays, BBC1 (6,3)

10 Mollycoddles (7)

14 The Ram in the zodiac (5)

16 Middle - Eastern republic with capital at Beirut (7)

17 and 83 Co-star for Bogart in The Maltese Falcon (5,5)

18 Defender for Manchester United and Argentina (7,6)

21 A sign of the zodiac (3)

37 Dazzling (6)

33 A ZIP, for example (8)
37 Dazzling (6)
38 and 69 Down Co-star
for DiCaprio in
Titanic (4,7)
39 Imperil (8)
42 Lay out money (6)
44 See 71
46 Warner in The State
Within – Thursdays,
BBC1 (6,5)
49 Newcastle United
midfielder (5,6)
52 Like games within a
building (6)
54 Large flag (6)
56 Aussie fast bowler
(5,3)
59 Eternity (4)

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60 Except on the condition that (6)
61 Fragments of cloth

(8) 64 Reckless impulsive

64 Reckless impulsive persons (7)
66 Estimated Time (of)
Arrival (3)
70 Unfasten (4)
71 and 44 Tiresomely drawn out in speech

(4-6) 73 Part of one's finger

(4) 74 Point of view (7) 75 and 77 Down Flower-ing plant (4-4)

76 Indian Civil Service

76 Indian Civil Service
(3)
78 Defender for the
Gunners (7,6)
83 See 17
84 Heading for a place (7)
85 A hop or ball (5)
86 — Shearer, former
Hollywood actress (5)
87 Easy cricket catches,
for example (7)
88 Ship of the Pilgrim
Fathers (9)
DOWN

DOWN

DOWN 1 See 62 2 Rose against auth-ority (8)

3 See 36
4 and 24 Famous horror movie of the 1930s (4,4)
5 To plaster (4)
6 Musical starring Leslie Caron (4)
7 Defender for Chelsea EC (6.4)

FC (6,4)
8 Type of mattress (5,3)

(5.3)
9 Owen Harper in Torchwood – Wednesdays, BBC2 (4,6)
10 Spanish name, alternative for Jose and Joseph (4)
11 See 50
12 A noble status (7)
13 Kinds of heachwear

13 Kinds of beachwear

19 Oz, in other words (6)

19 Oz, in other words (6) 20 Rewrite a text (6) 26 Role for David Caruso in CSI Miami – Tuesdays, Five (7,5) 27 Protect (6) 31 Ultimate (5)

# **LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION**

Atheism, 56 Apeman, 58 Urns, 59 Hymn, 60 Bulgaria, 62 Bolero, 63 Dealer, 68 John Nayagam, 70 Toffee, 71 See 45 Down, 73 Stromboll, 74 Emotion, 75 Ally, 76 Desert Orchid. DOWN: 1 Feather, 2 See 18, 3 Kent Riley, 4 Anticipate, 5 Pear, 6 Rescue, 8 Train, 9 Retired, 10 and 23 Micah Richards, 13 Shinglet, 14 See 26 Across, 17 Inner, 18 and 2 Andre Agassi, 19 See ACROSS: 1 Frank Lampard, 7 and 46 Star Dust, 11 Against, 12 Assailant, 13 Smith, 15 Strict, 16 Susanna Reid, 20 Inters, 22 Lupins, 24 Strict, 16 Susanna Reid, 20 Inters, 22 Lupins, 24 Condense, 26 and 14 and 19 Down Hole in the head, 29 Pier, 29 Grenna, 31 Oysters, 32 Answered, 35 Editorial, 37 ACGB, 38 Weeps, 41 Paul McGann, 42 Deena Payne, 44 Mitty, 46 See 7, 47 Lloyd Owen, 52 Shameful, 54

26 Across, 21 Shamrock, 23 See 10, 24 Craig Bellamy, 25 Nose, 27 Lomana Lua, 30 Total, 33 and 57 Eve Myles, 34 Expanse, 36 Drawish, 39 Anything, 40 Maryland, 43 Alone, 45 and 71 Across Tom Alone, 45 and 71 Across 10m Mison, 48 Non-iron, 49 Afar, 50 Stool, 51 Benevolent, 52 Sobs, 53 All go, 55 Shop floor, 57 See 33, 61 Amnesia, 64 Ermined, 65 Callens, 66 Cajole, 67 Relish, 69 April, 72 Mire.

32 Manager of Fulham FC (5,7) 34 Snow vehicle (4)

34 Snow vehicle (4)
35 Born (3)
36 and 3 Slang for one's throat (3,4)
37 and 47 Type of automatic weapon (4,3)
40 Dull pain (4)
41 European language (6)
43 Stab (6)
45 Ear, Nose (and) Throat (3)
47 See 37 Down
48 Subsequent (4)
50 and 11 Striped insect (5,4)

(5,4) 51 Local bars (4)

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52 A metal (4)
53 and 68 Compressionignition motors (6,7)
54 Show disapproval (3)
55 Gesture of agreement (3)
57 Springy framework for gymnasts (10)
68 Regular work (10)
62 and 1 Down Ethan
Biggs in Into The
West - Saturdays,
BBC2 (6,7)
63 Short-sightedness (6)
65 Held prisoner (8)
67 Next day (8)
68 See 53

67 Next day (8)
68 See 53
69 See 38 Across
72 Ship's engineer (7)
77 See 75 Across
78 Marries (4)
79 Yorkshire river (4)
90 Kind of soil (4)

80 Kind of soil (4) 81 Remain (4)

82 Absent Without Official Leave (4)

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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: Across: Buzzword, Insect, Screen, Hemlock, Grace, Name, Cud, Dye, Bone, Fogey, Airsick, Influx, Desert, Envelope. **Down:** Gourmand, Ulcer (clue), Cherish, Weekend, Cute,

Hammock, Dire, Defence, Rejoice, Equip, Takea

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The X Factor judge is LOUIS WALSH

# Wordladder

Service, Carpet, About, Rice, Light, Estate, Traffic – SCARLET

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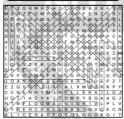
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The item of food is SAUSAGE



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# Celebrity Wordsearch



The missing role is GRACE STEWART

# Wordwheel

The nine-letter word is CATHEDRAL

# Crossword



# Celebrity Codecracker

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# Celebrity Crossword

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# **HIDDEN WORDS**

Each sentence contains a hidden word, e.g. 'Someone we hope stays away' contains 'pest'. The hidden words are 'pest'. The hidden words are linked, and the sentence may be a clue. Can you find the hidden words?

# LINK: Vehicle parts

- except it broke again
- He'll have to arrange a real good deal next time!

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- tour arranged? (9)
  23 Fuel fed into boiler (3)
  24 Boy's name for a bird (5)
- 25 Landscape you see on stage (7)

- 7 Regally fitted out to a

- great extent (7)

  12 United Nations greeting is not popular (9)

  13 Central Line, but not in
- this country (7)

- 15 Knock true excitement into ecstasy (7)

  16 When MPs don't work in an alcove (6)

  18 Crime artist upset relative (5)

  20 Time to make friends and correspond (5)

  22 Globe or ball knocks out everything (3)

  QUICK CLUES
  ACROSS

  1 Referes cricket match (7)

  5 Gem from oyster (5)

  8 Balance organ of fish (3)

  9 Person who throtties

  14 Feeling sleepy (6)

  17 Steal the show from someone (7)

  19 Airman (5)

  21 Bride's clothes (9)

  22 Cheeky garden bird (5)

  25 Backcloths in theatre (7)

  DOWN

  1 Out of condition (5)

  2 Broke (9)

  3 To retain (7)

  4 Become smaller when washed (6)

  9 Picture of attractive girl division is out of condition (5)
  2 Enclosure on Nile ship is very poor (9)
  3 Help someone to some more stock (7)
  4 Quiet area of ice has to become smaller (6)
  5 This glamorous picture's a fixture (3-2)
  6 It's boring breaking law (3)

  1 Referees cricket match (7)
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  9 Person who throttles
  someone (9)
  10 Person who perseveres (5)
  11 Sea god (7)
  13 Number in hockey team (6)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: Across – 3 Wage claim, 7 Roach, 8 Icing, 9 Contents, 10 Snare, 13 Pop, 15 Casino, 16 Rescue, 17 Day, 19 Latex, 23 Aptitude, 24 Laden, 25 Cacti, 26 Blaspheme. Down – 1 Practical, 2 Mains, 3 Wheel, 4 Grotto, 5 Loch Ness, 6 Inner, 11 Energetic, 12 Wireless, 13 Pod, 14 Pry, 18 Alpine, 20 Avail, 21 Since, 22 Bunch.

- Now he elects to join the AA - after the breakdown!
- He fixed the hasp OK,

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- CRYPTIC CLUES
  ACROSS
  1 Judges prime us with a new version (7)
  5 Precious kind of bulb? (5)
  8 Fishy part of stuffing (3)
  9 Student grabbed by someone unfamiliar as a killer
- (9) 10 He attempts to involve
- king in row (5)
  11 He is a god, in the main (7)
  13 A team has time for a
- 13A team has time for a break (6)
  14 Sleepy in third row? Sympathise! (6)
  17 Put in one's place, away from the audience (7)
  19 Guide one caught in scheme (5)
  21 What bride uses with a

- DOWN 1 Fellow in small army division is out of condi-

- (3-2) 6 Tool to pierce leather (3) 7 Principally (7) 12 Not wanted or invited (9)
- 12 Not wainted (9)
  13 Line of latitude (7)
  15 Joyous ecstasy (7)
  16 Niche (6)
  18 Crime of fire raising (5)
  20 To correspond one with another (5)
  22 Sphere (3)

ANSWERS TOMORROW 20

Two sets of clues but the answers are the same

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catherine tate isnt funny. Bilko any day, whitey
To fenny da lofter: Stop tryin to be a smart ass by ripping scouses. Im
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The Aussie then handed his drink back to the attendant and said: "Me too. I didn't know we had a choice."

ERIC HARRISON, Coventry.

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COLIN STEAR.

I WISH everyone would lay off Simon Cowell on The X Factor. Everything he says is true, he just speaks his mind and knows what he is talking about.

JAYNE TAYLOR, Glasgow.

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ON C4 at 8pm is How Clean Is Your House. At 8.30pm, Your Money Or Your Wife. Why not unite the two programmes – it could be called Your Wife Launders Your Dirty Money. MISS D ROOKWOOD,

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Tom Cruisin'

Matt Willis shud be ashamed ov himself.

Matt Willis shud be ashamed ov himself, cheating. I hope David Gest wins now. He's my king of the jungle! KEV DORAN, WIGAN

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How many bar staff does it take to run the ROVERS? its not THAT busy!

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SPEEDING along in a bright yellow taxi, I caught a glimpse of the caught a glimpse of the designer department store, Saks, and I swear I could hear it calling my name.

The eight-hour flight from London to New York City had done little to dampen my desire to enjoy some Amex In The City moments.

Plus with the exchange rate so

Plus with the exchange rate so favourable right now, anything I bought was guaranteed to be a bargain

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Fifth Avenue, Manhattan's shopping Mecca, is tike London's Bond Street, but here the staff don't look at you like dirt. Instead, they actually help you even if you're only buying a 23.50 keyring.

With Christmas Just a few weeks away, it's the perfect destination to snap up great presents, find the party dress, soak up the sights and enjoy the late nights in the city that never sleeps.

This wasn't my first trip but just like many cities back home a lot can change in just a few months.

# Trips

Areas that were once deemed no-go zones, like the Meatpacking district, are flourishing and vibrant.

And apart from shopping and the theatres, Manhattan could easily sell itself as a round-the-clock buffet table. You can walk from Central Park down to the southern tip at Battery Park graz-ing all the way.

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I was planning to shop till my legs gave way, so the extra break-fast muffin or afternoon sushi snack was just the fuel I needed between breakfast, lunch and din-

To make the most of every noment I decided to make a plan of action. New York's skyline has been

New York's skyline has been amazing people since the first skyscraper rose from the pavement more than 60 years ago.

The Rockefeller Centre's 14 buildings were designed for the new radio and TV companies in the city. The occupants now are thriving city workers but you can travel up a 70-storey tower to The



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city.
That of course includes famous landmarks like the Statue of Liberty, Central Park, The Empire State Building and the East and Hudson rivers.

If celebrity spotting is on your agenda, look out for the stars staying in the Soho Grand or living in lofts and eating in the boutiques and bars south of Houston Street and west of Broadway I bought a day pass for around a fiver to cover subway and bus trips so I was "all set to go"—as they say.
And I picked up a credit cardsized subway and bus map so I could easily find my way around. If you want a designer tracksuit you'll find one in Barneys, although the H&M store on Fifth Avenue is going mad for Madoma's designer sportswear. You'll be spollt for choice if you're hopping to stock up on WAG casual wear.

When Wayne Rooney's flancée

you're hoping to stock up on WAG
casual wear.
When Wayne Rooney's fiancée
Coleen McLoughlin took her
friends on a recent spendathon to
NYC it was rumoured store buyers ran low on stock and had to
ship in designer handbags and
baby pink tracksuit bottoms.
Nort store for men wee

Next stop for me was Bloomingdales, which has got

Crimbo offers practically bursting out of its legendary Little Brown Bags. Massive Macy's at 151 West 34th Street has all the hustle and bustle you'd expect to find in a city.

The local hunter gatherer is always out in force here, and it's normally open until 9pm.

Here consumerism turns into an Olympic sport and the bestrained always seem to come up with the goods.

To win gold I'd advise ditching the fabulous handbag, hiding any signs of being a tourist, put your wallet somewhere safe and just dive in. Foot Locker, down the road from Macy's, has aisles and aisles of the latest trainers, some of which are months ahead of the sports stores in the UK.

Celeb fave Old Navy has a huge store here with jeans and T-shirts over three floors. Snap up jeans, skinny or slouch, from £20.

Fashion bargain bin Century 21 is famous for its knockdown prices and as it's based in the financial district it opens before sam – so local office workers can nip in to grab an early morning outfit.

# **Threads**

But if you don't enjoy a frenzied fight to save a fortune on your accessories and designer threads, a great out-of-town alternative is a bus trip to Woodbury Common Premium Outlets.

There are over 200 discount stores here and you can snap up designs by Dolce & Gabbana, Gucci and Polo Ralph Lauren. You can book bus trips from Port Authority in New York costing around £20 return.

On my last visit I snapped up a pair or Manolos for under £50, leaving me a wallet full of dollars to splash out on a water taxi ride back to the city.

As I walked down Broadway, loaded down with carrier bags of shiny new purchases, feeling a pang of guilt, I quickly remembered the advice of a shopaholic friend back home: "You can't afford not to buy."

Next time I promise to get to the Statue of Liberty see a musical on

afford not to buy."
Next time I promise to get to the Statue of Liberty, see a musical on Broadway, visit the John Lennon Tribute in Central Park, and see The Metropolitan Museum Of Art – but it will have to be after the shops close.





# FOR 17 Edited by VICKY LISSAMAN



# New York Festive Calendar

# Where to party on New Year's Eve

SEEING Justin Timberlake in the flesh on his six city UK tour next year is the ultimate pressie for pop fans. The tour hits Sheffield, Newcastle, Glasgow, Birmingham, Manchester and London between April 27 and July 7. Packages with Keith Prowse Tours include show ticket and accommodation in a selection of two to four-star hotels. From £108. For a real treat, Platinum packages including a seat in the front three rows, a preshow party with food and free bar and limited-edition merchandise, from £273. To book call Keith Prowse Tours on 08702 47 0003 or see www.keithprowse.com AUGUST 2007 is the 30th anniversary of the death of Elvis Presley and there is a week of events in his former home of Memphis, Tennessee. Taking place between August 11-19 it includes dance parties, candlelit viglis, exhibitions and tribute performances. US operator Bon Voyage is offering seven-night holidays taking in the event from Manchester, taxes, room-only at the three-

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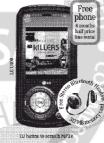




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MOTOR SPORT — A1 Malaysian GP

MONDAY

Gurton Albion v Exeter MONDAY

FOOTBALL - Burton Albion v Exeter
City (SS1, 7.30pm, KO 7.45pm).
CRICKET - Australia v England (SS1,

g (SS3, 6am). L – Grandstand (BBC1, 1pm). **TOMORROW** 

FOOTBALL - Charlton

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NO stokiemark lets all laugh at the fact stoke are 7th in league and your taunting league leaders like your gonna ever get to prem.

to kopite: Yr spot on, turn lopsided st james pk into flats, or even a cow shed!

mark Ifc r rubbish, hate all tunnel rats and bin dippers, trfc 4 promotion. trfc 4 life.watch out boro. trfc birkenhead

to thfc deano: your comment to dave m spurs back bone to england is why england will do nothing.

wish the lfc ladyboys wud stop moanin n leave rafa alone he doin top job in my eyes 3-0 lovely. BlueBil

STEVIE WONDER HAS BETTER VISION THAN MICHAEL CARRICK. HE IS WORSE THAN DOWNING. NICK MCFC

**SPORT** 

4am/highlights SS2, 7.30pm, & BBC2 11.20pm).

TUESDAY

(SS2, 7.30pm, KO 8pm).

GREYHOUND RACING — Wimbledor
(SS3, 7.30pm)

WEDNESDAY FOOTBALL - Bolton v Chelsea (SS2, 7pm, KO 8pm), Match of the Day (BBC1, /pm, KO spm), Match of the Day (BBC1 11.40pm). CRICKET – South Africa v India (SS1 12.30pm/SS3, 7.30pm).

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THURSDAY

FOOTBALL - Eintracht Frankfurt v
Newcastle (C5, 7.15pm, KO 7.45pm),
Nancy v Feyenoord (British Eurosport,
7.30pm, KO 7.45pm).
CRICKET - Australia v England (SS1,

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FOOTBALL



with KEVIN **FRANCIS** SMOKIN' Joe Frazier will

lace up his gloves and climb back into the ring once again next week – at the ripe old age of 62. But before you start thinking that the former world heavyweight champion has lost his marbles, let

champion has lost his marbles, let me point out that his bout in Memphis is purely for a good cause. The man who reigned supreme over the boxing world from 1970 to 1973 will face the Mayor of Memphis, Willie W Herenton, 66, himself a former amateur boxer, in a three-round fund-raising exhibition bout.

# Tough

Frazier has been training hard at his own gym in a tough part of Philadelphia and he said: "I am doing it for fun but I have trained to make sure I'm not holding back and to make sure I deliver.
"My head is good and my body is good – I can dance, I can walk and I can fight. It don't seem tike I'm getting any older. I weigh about 212 pounds, only 10 pounds heavier than I was in my prime."

Boxing, and a car crash in 2003 which left him needing four

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# TODAY

(3pm unless stated) Barclays Premiership Barclays Premership
Aston Villa v Middlesbrough
Bolton v Arsenal (5.15)
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Fullam v Reading,
3 Uverpool v Man City
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Coca-Cola Championship
4 Bansley v Ipswich
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9 Plymouth v Leeds.
10 Preston v Crystal Palace.
11 QPR v Coventry.
2 Sheff Wed v Cardiff.
13 Southampton v Luton.
14 Sloke v West Brom.
Coca-Cola League One.
15 Bradford v Boumemouth.
16 Carlsie v Port Vale.
17 Crewe v Chesterfield.
18 Doncaster v Brighton.
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First Division
39 Clyde v Queen of South
40 Dundee v Airdrie Utd.
41 Greina v Partick
42 Hamilton v Hoss County
43 St Johnstone v Livingston.
Second Division
44 Alloa v Brechin.
45 Fordar v Stirling.
45 Morton v Cowdenbeath.
47 Peterhead v Ayr
48 Raith v Stramaer.
Third Division
49 Albion v Athroath. PANEL

49 Albion v Arbroath......

– Dumbarton v Elgin.....

– East Fife v Montrose... Queens Park v Stenhousemuir.....
TOMORROW

Barclays Premiership
Man Utd v Chelsea (4.00) ......
Newcastle v Portsmouth (1.30) .....

- Bristol Rovers v Barnet...... Bank of Scotland Scottish Premier League

- Dundee Utd v St Mirren.. - Hibernian v Celtic (2.00). - Rangers v Kilmarnock....

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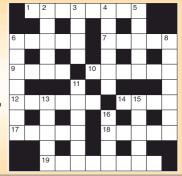
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